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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JANE NORTON ANNOUNCES AMERICAN INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP

*Norton along with the Rocky Mountain Indian Chamber of Commerce, announce deadline for application*

When: Applications must be postmarked by October 1, 2004.

Where: American Indian Scholars Program  
Rocky Mountain Indian Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Box 40749  
Denver, Colorado 80204

Who: Applicants must be an American Indian verified by one of the following:

1. The applicant is on a federal or state recognized tribal roll and is identified by a tribal enrollment card:
  - a. The applicant has an official letter from a federal or state recognized tribe or agency stating tribal membership or Indian blood
  - b. The applicant can verify through a family tree and officially sealed birth certificates (one from member, one from parent) that verifies that at least one parent is Indian;
  - c. The applicant is an enrolled/official member of a terminated tribe (supporting documentation is required).
2. Resident of Colorado, verified by a driver's license or other official document.
3. Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher.

What: American Indian Scholars Scholarship Program. Colorado American Indian residents can utilize the scholarship at any institute of higher education.

Why: To assist American Indian students with educational expenses. Six scholarships of \$1,000.00 will be awarded for the 2004/2005 school year.

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By constitutional statute, Norton oversees the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA). CCIA is the reporting state agency for the non-profit organization administering the American Indian Scholarship Fund, currently managed by the Rocky Mountain Indian Chamber of Commerce.

*Jane Norton was sworn in as Colorado's 46<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Governor on January 13, 2003. Her responsibilities include serving as the chair of the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs; acting as point person for the Owens Administration on health insurance reform; strengthening families by promoting adoption, early childhood care and education efforts/initiatives, mentoring and volunteerism; and serving as Colorado's delegate to the Aerospace States Association.*

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